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For:	CYANTHIOPHENE DERIVATIVES, COMPOSITIONS CONTAINING SUCH COMPOUNDS AND METHODS OF USE	

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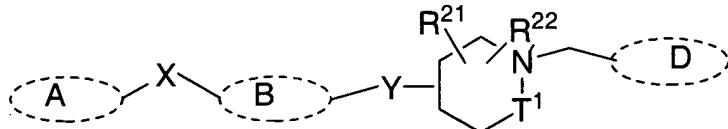
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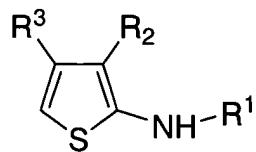
Copies of the non-U.S. patent documents that are cited on the attached form PTO-1449 are enclosed herewith.

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WO 2002/018335 A1 dated 3/7/2002 entitled "Preparation of Cyclic Amine Derivatives as CCR3 Antagonists", relates to compounds of the general formula:



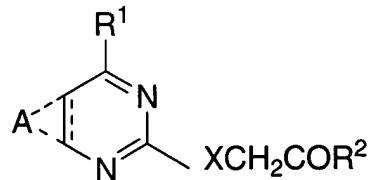
JP 2000250169 A2 dated 9/14/2000 entitled Photothermographic Image Forming Material Using Diazonium Salt Coupler relates to compounds of the formula:



The material forms a coupler for a support coated with a heat-sensitive layer. It is used in thermographic imaging.

DE 4119767 A1 dated 12/7/1992 entitled Preparation of (arenopyrimidinylthio) acetates and analogs, relates to compounds of the general formula:

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In the synthesis, the compound 2-chloro-N-(3-cyano-4,5-dimethyl-2-thienyl) acetamide is disclosed.

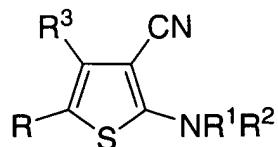
DE 3624304 A1 dated 1/28/1988, and EP 253259A2 and A3 dated 1/20/1988 and 3/22/1989, respectively, and entitled Preparation of Substituted Thienylamides and Their Use as Agrochemical Fungicides, relate to a 3-cyanothiophene used in the synthesis schemes. The compound 3-cyano-4,5 dimethyl-2-thienyl carbamic acid methyl ester is disclosed.

DE3529247 A1 dated 11/20/1986, EP 202538 A1 dated 11/26/1986 and EP202538B1 dated 12/28/1988 and entitled Thienylureas and Isoureas and Their Preparation and Use as Growth Promoters For Animals relate to the synthesis of thienylureas and isoureas. The compound N-[3-cyano-4-(1,1-dimethylethyl)-2-thienyl]-N'-phenyl urea is disclosed.

EP193885 A1 dated 9/10/1986 and entitled Thiophene Derivatives Relates to the Preparation of Dye Intermediates. The compound N-(4-chloro-3-cyano-2-thienyl) formamide is disclosed.

EP202538 A1 dated 11/26/1986 and entitled Productivity-Increasing Agents for Livestock relates to thiophenes, thienylureas and isoureas. The compound N-[3-cyano-4-(1,1-dimethyl)-2-thienyl]-N'-phenyl urea is disclosed.

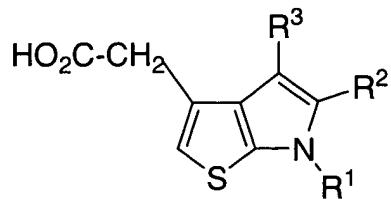
DE3507421 A1 dated 9/10/1986 and entitled Aminocyanthiophene Azo Dye Intermediates relates to azo dye intermediates of the general formula:



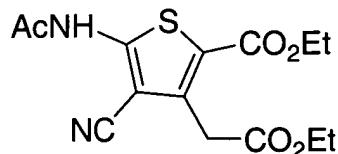
The compound N-(4-chloro-3-cyano-2-thienyl) formamide is disclosed.

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FR2564467 A1 dated 11/22/1985 and entitled Thieno [2,3-b] Pyrroles relates to analgesics and anti-inflammatories of the general formula:

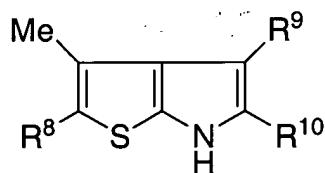
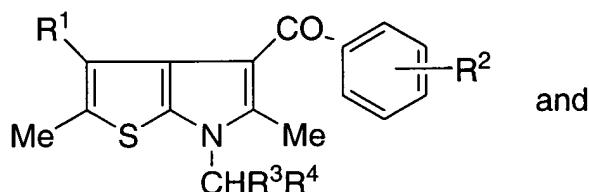


A cyanothiophene of the formula

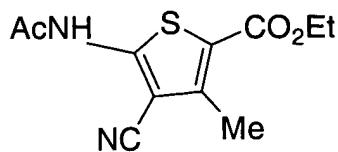


is disclosed in the synthesis.

FR2565981 A1 dated 12/20/1985 and entitled Thieno [2,3-b] Pyrroles relates to thieno pyrroles of the general formula:



A cyanthiophene of the formula:



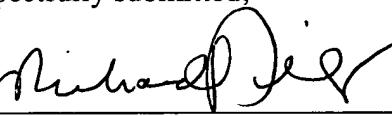
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Thus, it is respectfully urged that the "concise explanation requirement" under 37 CFR §1.98 has been fully satisfied. If the Examiner feels that further explanation is necessary, he or she is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned.

Any additional fees required in connection with this submission may be taken from Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

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2. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made.

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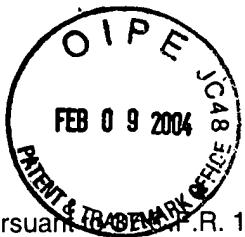
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8	PCT	WO 00/39088			NOVO NORDISK A/S & AGOURON PHARMACEUTICALS, INC.	07/06/2000
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13	PCT	WO 99/22108			MERCK & CO., INC.	05/28/1998
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23	PCT	WO 01/44226			PROTHERICS MOLECULAR DESIGN LIMITED	06/21/2001
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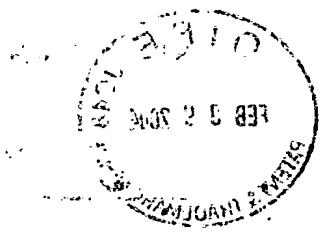
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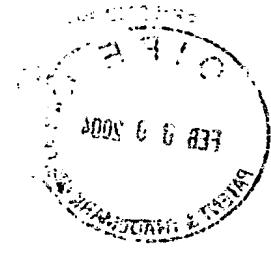
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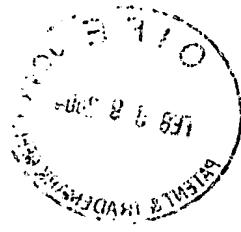
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	48	Ladouceur, Gaetan, H., et al., "Discovery of 5-Hydroxyalkyl-4-phenylpyridines as a New Class of Glucagon Receptor Antagonists", <i>Bioorganic & Medicinal Chemistry Letters</i> , 12, pp. 461-464 (2002)			
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	56	Connell, Richard, D., "Glucagon antagonists for the treatment of Type 2 diabetes", <i>Expert Opinion on Therapeutic patents</i> , 9(6), pp. 701-709 (1999)			
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